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Dear Sirs:

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**

The applicant herewith petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office action dated May 7, 2002 for three months from August 7, 2002 to November 7, 2002. Please charge my deposit account number 13-3860, in the amount of US\$ 460.00 (fee code 2253) to cover the cost of the extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to the above numbered deposit account.

**AMENDMENT**

This is in response to the Office Action dated May 7, 2002.  
Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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